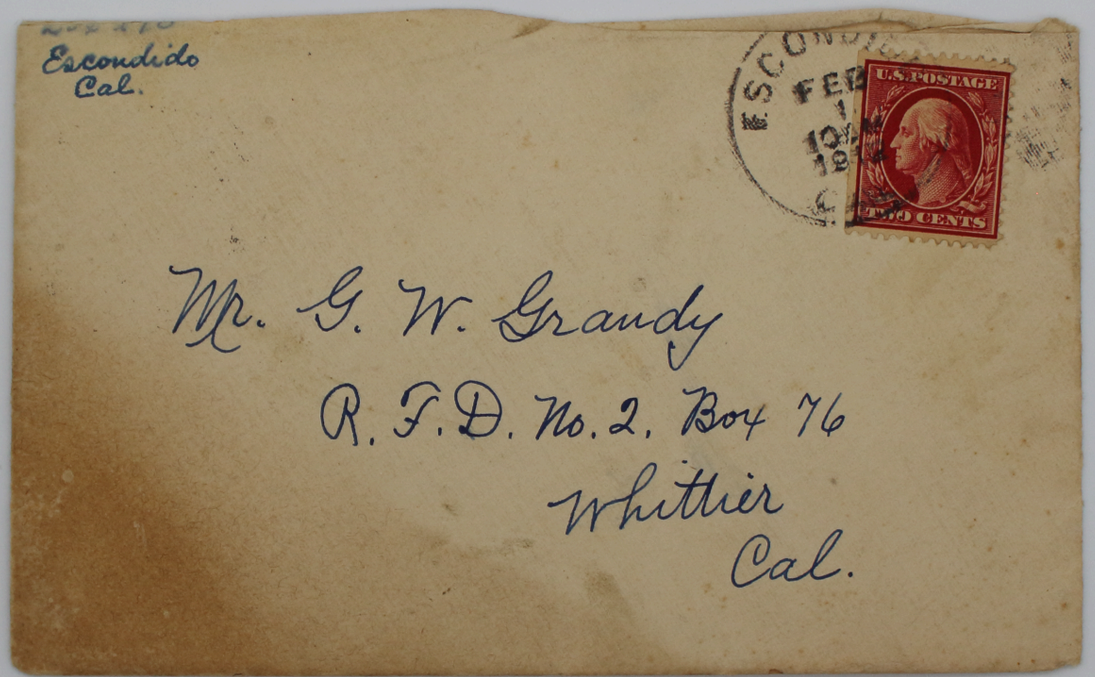
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Have been here since Dec 13th and have done just fourteen days work. It is not very plentiful at present, and things look quite dull on account of dry weather. I made quite a hit with the man I worked for and he has been

giving me a recomend everywhere that he can. The owner of the house has done the same thing and I guess I will get a good job of finishing in a couple of weeks or so.

There are several old dried-in-the-shell carpenters around here who work for $2.50 per day and take charge of the job at that.

The contractor that I worked for, owns a half interest in a cigar store + pool room here and only takes a job once in a while on the side, and then only when he gets a good thing. There were five of us who started in to finish a six room house and he gave me all of the best work and I was the last one to leave the job, so you can easily see what the others must have been.

Have also been tramping the hills south of here and prospecting a little. There are three gold quartz claims about ½ mile south of here. They are working on two of them and have good prospects for paying mines. They were only located last November so they haven't had much time to try them out yet.

I sold my property in Inglewood to the Aetna Investment Co but did not get quite enough to pay all of my debts. So you see

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